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Dear CNL Cyberspace Patrons (and Friends):

CNL/ANS NEWS:

The following two letters dated 20 November 1996 are addressed to CNL Patrons from (1) Leslie Elam, Director of the American Nmismatic Society (ANS) and (2) from Philip L. Mossman, M.D., Editor.of The Colonial Newsletter (CNL).

After reading these letters, our CNL Cyberspace Patrons are requested to direct any comments, suggestions or questions that they may have to the respective e-mail addresses in the letters. Please remember that CNL is YOUR publication and that your participation and contributions are needed, especially in the editoral areas such as the Research Forum, Technical Notes, Ask the Editors, and Gleanings features.

All of the back issues - Serial Nos. 1 through 103 - will continue to be available from The Colonial Newsletter Foundation.

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY BROADWAY at155th STREET NEW YORK NY 10032

November 20, 1996

Dear CNL Patron,

Phone: 212/234-3130 Fax: 212/234-3381 e-mail: info@AmNumSoc.Org The American Numismatic Society takes great pleasure in continuing publication of the highly prestigious Colonial Newsletter, beginning in 1997. We are patently aware that the success of this journal over the years derives from Jim Spilman's unerring adherence to the principles on which the specialized, quality publication was founded.

The ANS is dedicated to continuance of past editorial policies; we consider it most fortunate that Dr. Philip Mossman has agreed to serve as successor Editor with Jim deservedly named Editor Emeritus. Also of importance is the continued service to CNL by Associate Editors Gary Trudgen and Michael Hodder.

A word on 1997 subscriptions. As last year, the fee for 1997 is \$16.00 for three issues of CNL, dated April, August and December. Additional contributions in support of CNL are most welcome. Please do not remit payment now; a check-off form for this purpose will be mailed to you later in the year.

Happily a significant proportion of CNL Patrons are also members of the ANS. All Society members will be offered a free subscription to CNL during 1997 since we believe this is the best way to introduce this worthy journal to a larger audience.

While we hope that CNL Patrons will consider the value and benefits of ANS membership, non-members are welcome and encouraged to be included in the CNL Special Interest Group (SIG) as subscribers and as contributors to its pages.

We look forward to your comments and your support.

Sincerely yours,

(signed)

Leslie A. Elam; Director

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Dear Fellow CNL Patrons,

It is indeed a great privilege for me to greet you in my capacity as the new editor of The Colonial Newsletter. I am particularly pleased that we are under the sponsorship of the American Numismatic Society and will have the resources of this superb academic institution at our disposal. It is truly a win-win situation for both of us. The only sorry note is that our friend Jim Spilman is retiring.

It is important-to remember that the CNL is our journal; it exists for us and because of us. It was started in 1960 by collectors just like ourselves to promote an exchange of information among numismatists with similar interests. We have all witnessed the heights to which it has climbed under the able guidance of Jim, but we cannot become complacent because of our past reputation. To remain viable and grow, our organization needs the continuing support of all its patrons and thus my appeal to you for your articles and other contributions of material.

Our next issue, No. 104, is scheduled for April 1997 with a February publication deadline. You are all invited to participate in our journal - please feel free to send or discuss your ideas, comments and manuscripts. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

(signed)

Philip L. Mossman, M.D., Editor
